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<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b>		Docket No. S-3-1
In re Application of: Ronald Underwood et al.		
Application Number: 09/512,742		Filed: 02/24/00
For: Methods for Electrosurgical Tissue Contraction Within the Spine		
Group Art Unit: 3739		Examiner: L. Cohen

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))               | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))              | \$ _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | \$920.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))             | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))             | \$ _____ |

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$460.00.

☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

☐ The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-0359.

I am the ☐ applicant/inventor

☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.  
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96)

☒ attorney or agent of record.

☐ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).

Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) \_

**WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.**

8/14/2002  
Date

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NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

☐ Total of \_\_\_ forms are submitted.

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